

# The Bell Ringer

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### General Andrews Honored At Celebration

#### Outcome of Polls Given By Scholastic Magazine Released

In trying to find out what the thought and ideas of high school students all over our country are, the Institute of Student Opinion of New York, N. Y., sponsored by scholastic magazines, have sent out tests to all the schools, one of which Mr. Rule received and submitted to the school.

All the students were issued this test containing three questions. The first question was, "Do you believe that the United Nations Organization will prevent another world war during your lifetime?" Sixty-one boys voted yes, ninety-four voted no, and five had no opinion.

To the second, which was, "What is your ultimate aim in life?" four boys wanted to make money, forty-two wanted to be respected, fifty-four wanted to become famous, thirty-five wanted to live a simple life, and six had no particular aim in life.

The third question, which was, "What is the greatest obstacle in preventing one from being a success?" fifteen boys said the lack of talent, eleven said the lack of training, four poor health, seven lack of money of money, four lack of pull, fifty-six unwillingness to make sacrifices, and fifty-five did not know.

In view of this result, it is noticeable that the boys are rather pessimistic over the possibilities of the United Nations Organization. Also, only four boys wanted to make money to one hundred and thirty-one who either wanted to be respected, to become famous or to live a simple life, which stays in line with Mr. Sager's saying that "a good name is to be chosen rather than great riches." On the last question, most of the students answered the question by saying that the greatest obstacle in being a success at anything is unwillingness to make the necessary sacrifices.

#### Mrs. Warren, One of Our Most Capable and Beloved Persons

Mrs. Warren and M. B. A. are synonymous. She has been a part of Montgomery Bell Academy for ten years. A decade, that seems like a long time, but I'm sure that day and all the other days are easily recalled by Mrs. Warren and all the boys she has taught.

She is one of the few members of the faculty, as it was ten years ago, still here at M. B. A. During these ten years there have been many changes made here, but the grade school remains unchanged because there has never been a need for changes.

Mrs. Warren has always maintained the best of order in her classes. If my family is any example she has certainly received excellent cooperation from the parents of her students or "scholars," as she puts it. The cooperation of the parents is in itself recognition of the fine work done by Mrs. Warren.

When I was a Microbe (that is a name of long standing for the Junior School boys), Mrs. Warren taught us English, arithmetic, history, composition, penmanship, spelling and geography. I believe that all the boys in her classes have learned well the "three R's". Not all of the lessons learned are of a scholastic nature. The



Pictured above are the speakers at the dedication: left, Vaden Lackey; right, Col. J. D. Andrews.

#### Elections of Class Officers Held Recently

Once again the election of class officers was held this year. The officers were elected to take charge of the Literary Societies and class meetings.

Holding the gavel for the Senior class is Vaden Lackey. To assist him is Joe Card and Eddie Purks, who will act as secretary.

The Juniors elected Bill Calton to lead them this year with Hamilton Wallace as vice-president and Nardy Elam as secretary.

Bob Ezell was elected president of the Sophomore class, followed by Billy Joe Erhart as vice-president and Bill Wade as secretary.

Holding the gavel for the Freshman class is Don Wade. Wilbur Creighton will assist as vice-president and Franklin Jarman will keep the minutes.

Each and every one of these boys is capable of, and I'm sure, will do a good job.

#### Dr. Pugh Gives Talk In Assembly At MBA

A pleasant surprise was handed us not long ago when Dr. Prentice Pugh, the beloved minister of the Church of the Advent, visited us in chapel. The venerable clergyman made an interesting and humorous talk. The subject was "Happiness in Life," which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Dr. Pugh went to school at Sewanee in 1899. In that year the football team of that school won five games out of six in one week, and after his talk Mr. Sager laughingly chided Dr. Pugh about mentioning the five victories in every talk he made. We all enjoyed the minister very much and sincerely hope that he will return to M. B. A. again soon.

#### Homecoming Dinner Given By Auxiliary

On Friday evening, November 16, the Ladies' Auxiliary gave the school's annual Homecoming Dinner. The dinner, which preceded the M. B. A. - T. I. S. football game, had been well planned and cared for. The dinner was comprised of turkey and many other autumnal dishes, but due to a sad misfortune, the turkeys were ruined that afternoon. With only a short time left before the dinner, some tuna fish was procured, which, although not a tasty dish as turkey, filled the bill nicely.

There was quite a large turnout, which was composed mainly of the parents of students, their friends, and the faculty.

#### Motion Pictures Show On Friday Afternoons

Those of us who while away our "time" on Friday afternoon were pleasantly surprised when "Flash" McCowan and Burns said that there would be movies every Friday afternoon. The boys were permitted to see the movie and make up time at the same time.

The coming attractions are: "King Kong," "Ten Gentlemen From West Point," "Stanley and Livingston," "The Mark of Zorro" with Tyrone Power, "Drums Along the Mohawk," a technicolor production, "Swiss Family Robinson," "If I Had My Way," starring Bing Crosby, "Tarzan's Desert Mystery," "The Plainman," with Gary Cooper, "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes," and "Tarzan, Triumphant." (Continued on Page 4.)

#### Football Field Is Named For M.B.A. Alumnus

Montgomery Bell Academy has had hundreds upon hundreds of students to pass through its portals and enter into college and a career since its institution one hundred and thirty-nine years ago—1806.

Among all of these past students there have been quite a few who have made names and traditions for themselves which are known throughout not only Tennessee and the United States, but throughout the world.

We, the present students of Montgomery Bell Academy, are proud of these men and the work that they have done.

On the night of October 25, 1945, we made tribute to one of these outstanding students of this honored school.

The personage to whom I refer is the late Gen. Frank M. Andrews. General Andrews was born and reared here in Nashville and entered M. B. A. about 1898 or '99. He played quarterback on the championship team of 1900, and at that time was coach, signal caller and just about everything else for the team.

He had the admiration of all his schoolmates and his teammates, because he was not only good at sports, but was an excellent student as well.

It has been said that even though he was rather quiet and studious, he was one of the best liked students on the campus by both the other boys and the faculty.

From M. B. A. he went to West Point and was graduated from there with honors. On February 5, 1943, General Andrews was placed in command of all the American Forces in Europe and North Africa.

It was at this time that the Air Force was just beginning to soften Germany with bombs, and General Andrews said that he was going to do a lot of acting and very little talking.

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#### Honor System Put Into Effect At Montgomery Bell Academy

After a great deal of discussion, it was decided to vote on the adoption of the honor system at M. B. A. Mr. Sager gave out slips to the students, on which they were to vote whether or not they were in favor of accepting the honor system. There were three questions on the blanks.

The first was, "Are you in favor of instituting the honor system?" To this question 80% voted yes, 12% no, and 8% did not express their opinions.

The second question asked the student if he would lie, cheat, or steal; to which all the students answered no.

The third and probably most discussed question was, "Will you report to the honor council any person who persists in lying, cheating, or stealing?" Ninety-six boys answered affirmatively, and 69 boys answered negatively.

After the announcement was made that the honor system had been accepted, the different classes met to elect members to the honor council. The seniors elected Paul Purks, Vaden Lackey, and Joe Card; the juniors, Ken Goodpasture, Bill Calton, and Tommy McEwen; the sophomores, Bill Wade

and Bill Bailey; the freshmen, Wilbur Creighton and Dickie Miller; and from the grade school, Chuck Pearson. These boys with the aid of Mr. Sager will write out an honor code to act as a constitution.

Upon instituting the honor system the teachers will not longer have to be "policemen" during exams and on tests, which will make the strain on them much smaller, and most of all it will more than likely prevent any more stealing, particularly from the gym.

#### Students Participate In Armistice Parade

M. B. A. was well represented in the recent Armistice Day parade. It had been previously announced that school would not be held on Monday, November 12, and everyone had planned to sleep, catch up on their best book, or play a little golf. But some were disappointed when Mr. Sager asked some boys to participate in the parade. Each was to carry a cross representing an M. B. A. alumni killed in action.



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## STRIDES IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

By John Donnelly

The many and various evidences of physical construction in and around M.B.A. have greatly enhanced the beauty of the school and certainly made the buildings and ground more pleasing to the eye. But actually, whether we are aware of it or not, the most important recent changes at M.B.A. are the non-material installations.

One strong proof of this fact is the popularity of the privileged list. As it functions, all students who maintain good marks in their subjects are excused from Study Hall and study periods may be spent outside or in the Honor Room of a more secluded atmosphere is desired. Special leniency is shown to the Seniors. At first thought this liberty may seem very slight but really it is a great stride in the right direction. The student is put entirely on his honor since his actions are not being supervised by any members of the faculty. This tends to create a feeling of good will between the student and the staff because the student can better realize some of the rewards for hard work while he is still at school getting an education for HIMSELF.

Another stride in the right direction is the organized cheering begun at M.B.A. this year. These fight songs and cheers do much to "close up the ranks" in school spirit and at the same time add color and enjoyment to the school routine. The student then ceases to think of the school solely as an institution of learning. Since organized cheering has taken the place of our former weak and spasmodic efforts, outsiders are more deeply impressed and this in turn has brought out the crowds. We have made a fine beginning in this field but there is still much room for improvement.

The greatest and most important non-material step we have taken thus far was effected not long ago. Namely, the large affirmative vote for the installation of the Honor System. Of course there are some who feel that the Honor System is not for M.B.A. That group is very small and it is a safe wager that the majority of that minority are opposed to it mainly because they do not fully understand its workings.

When the ballots were given out, the issue was placed squarely in front of us. We were told, "It's your Honor System, if you don't want it you don't have to have it." The vote is evidence enough that the school wants it. The ballot was secret and the only influences at work were the pros and cons in the mind and conscience of the individual.

No matter how hard these rules may seem to us at first, if we earnestly strive to abide by them we can mold finer characters and give our better selves more exercise in everyday life. The Honor System can and will—if given a fair chance—abolish many undesirable proceedings at school. It will also foster a spirit of fairness and loyalty in both work and play.

In summing up this topic, we find that although the physical improvements are more easily seen, the non-material assets are playing a much larger part in our school life. There is still much room for betterment but we are certainly taking strides in the right direction.

## On The Bookshelf

Again this month, in trying to improve our library, Mrs. Campbell has added numerous new books to the shelves. There are among the new books: current novels, mysteries, and non-fiction. Among the current best sellers are: "The White Tower," by James Ramsey Ullman, and "The Black Rose," by Thomas B. Costain. Among the other best sellers are: "Green Dolphin Street," by Elizabeth Goudge; "Fair Stood the Wind of France," by H. E. Bates; "Most Secret," Nevil Shutes latest selection, "The High Barbaree," by the authors of "Mutiny on the Bounty," Chas. Nordoff and James Norman Hall, and also another selection by them, "Botany Bay"; "The Birth of Mischief," by Rafael Sabatin, and "Dinner at Belmont," by Alfred Lealand Crabb.

Among the miscellaneous books added to our library are: "The Fireside Book of Dog Stories," C. W. Anderson's "Big Red," "Flight to Everywhere," by Ivan Dmitri,

and Raymond L. Ditmars' "Snakes of the World."

Also Mrs. Campbell bought for the students a few mysteries, Agatha Christie's "Easy to Kill," "The Perry Mason Omnibus," by Eric Stanley Gardner, and "The Maltese Falcon," by Dashiell Hammett.

Below is given a synopsis: "FLIGHT TO EVERYWHERE"—This is the story, in vivid text and in magnificent photographs, of the most exciting, vital, and least known of American military branches—Air Transport Command.

Here with Dmitri, ace photographer for the Saturday Evening Post, you travel to South America, to lonely Ascension Island, to the Gold Coast; then you cross equatorial Africa and Arabia to India, and on over the "hump" into free China.

Here he tells you the story of his trip, of the bases established along the way, of how they were managed, and chiefly of the work. This is an excellent book filled with many beautiful photographs.



## Class News

## Grade Department

With the second month of school, the new boys are all settling down to doing what the old boys have been doing all year. The first forms learn what it means to have the salt-shaker too loosened and to have all the salt come down into their food when they're least expecting it.

This week's prizes go to: Inman Fox for being so up-to-date.

Lem Stevens for being so perfect in every study.

Jackie Carpenter for making the best alibi.

Merrill Gwadstorf for being the first person, this year, to feel Mrs. Warren's "love pat."

Carl Gates for being this month's best all-round boy in the grade department.

Jimmy Henley has invented a new handwriting which only he can read, and which he calls "sand script."

Bill Carney has a mirror like wrist watch which, when properly focused, seems to throw off a perfect beam.

## Freshman Class

The envy of the Freshmen:

Blackie and his jeep  
Joe Card and his girl  
James Cate's sister  
Woods Foster's picture.

Flash! Huston Horn and Lewis Woods are running each other a close race for "Demerit Champion of M. B. A."

Jack Shwab and Shults are also running a close race for President.

Does any one know who Shults is? If so, please notify your local draft board. (How did this get in here?)

Bobby Walker wishes to know who tore up Lewis Woods book in Mr. Levy's afternoon class.

Dan Adams made a 100 in Algebra last month. (Dan must have written this!)

Will someone please tell Wilbur Creighton that the school building is sufficiently heated and that he may take off his coat while indoors. Thanks.

## Sophomore Class

Every year about this time Dopey Howard starts to school at M. B. A. Last year he was in California and got to school three months late. This year he was in school at Middlesex in Massachusetts. He must like M. B. A. an awful lot to come home from all those places.

James (Einstein) Hester is astonishing all the professors at school. He has a theory in mathematics that tops anything yet. Hester says he will go to Harvard next year.

Bronson Ingram is credited with being the most mild tempered boy in school. He's only been in twelve fights this month.

Billy Vaughn is a very worried boy. He has been to the movies and he doesn't know how Flash Gordon is going to get out of the pit.

Harry Corson, the thinnest man's dream, ought to throw away that motor scooter and start walking off some of that fat. If he doesn't throw it away he should get a new one. That little one can't hold him.

## Junior Class

The Junior class has been keeping up Mr. Hackman's reputation of always stinking up the Study Hall! Among the chief stinker uppers are Russell Campbell, Jesse Ford, and Nicky Lanus.

If you ever walk by Mrs. Bitzer's room about the fourth or the seventh period, you will hear the cry, "Oh! Mrs. Bitzer! Not that too!" If Mrs. B. is trying to see how many Juniors she can knock off the privilege list, may we congratulate her on a fine job.

Tommy (I was looking at the board) McEwen and Russell (Take his wife, for instance) Campbell have been voted the humorists of the week. Ask them about it sometime.

Sonny (Lillywhite) Templeton is one of Mr. Rule's most excellent students. After studying figures five days a week he spends his week ends looking for homework. Most commendable!

Congratulations to Tommy McEwen, Bill Calton, and Ken Goodpasture for being elected to represent the Junior class on the Honor Committee. We know you'll do a fine job, boys.

Big Dave McQuiddy has been finding geometry rather difficult lately. Use a little "brown," Dave. Calton can tell you all about it.

## Senior Class

The Honor Room was the scene of a meeting of the Senior P. C.'s (privileged characters) at which meeting Neil Carls gave an interesting talk on one of his sking adventures. The P. C.'s learned from his talk that Neil was a proficient skier.

Overheard remarks after the Seniors finished reading "The Black Arrow":

"Wow! That Alicia woman!"

"You know, 'Flash' reminds me of Richard the Crookback."

"I loaned your copy of 'The Black Arrow' to Purks. Do you want it back?"

"Yes, the person I borrowed it from says the owner wants it."

"Mrs. Bitzer, may we read 'Forever Amber' for next month's required reading?"

We have in our midst a very distinguished character. It is none other than our own Joe Washington of "Tin Pan Alley" fame. Wash played for a group of ardent admirers one of his original compositions, "How Little I Know."

Congratulations, John Haggard, for thus far successfully flunking every test, that includes even Mrs. Bitzer's.

The classes under "Fess" Cornelius have each listened intently to how he broke his rib. Though some doubted it strongly, it was accepted as a fact.

## Wishing Well

This, I hope, will inaugurate a column in the "Bell Ringer" which may grow into a very worthwhile vehicle of thought for the students of Montgomery Bell Academy.

As a starter, I am making some suggestions which I believe are within the realm of possibility in our school and which should add to the enjoyment and value of school life at M. B. A.

After this beginning, the students will be expected to take it from there and carry it on with

## Hoots from the Owl's Nest

Well, looks like a few days off from school and this old pencil pusher plans on being an owl for a few nights. How about you fellows?

Hear that PROF. LEVY was seen out at the local fork in the road (turn right for Memphis). Who was the gal, Fess?

The O.P.A. still has points on land. Where does EHRHART get that stuff he puts on his hair? Never mind the D. D. T. If a bug ever gets on that noble brow, it would slip and break its neck.

What about this football player that makes a habit of playing hide-and-go-seek with Coach every morning so he won't see that girl (huba, huba, huba) he rides to school with every morning.

Why does everyone call MOULTON FARRAR "Pappy" and "back seat driver"?

BILL RHODES says he can't buy clothes to fit his chest. HAL JAMISON also has his troubles—he can't buy a chest to fit his clothes.

I know we are all glad to see some sign of hair on HENRY HOOKER's head. All it needed was to have an 8 painted on it and you could have put me and my grades right behind it.

What shall we call the Bible class teacher? Why Mr. — for that is his name.

Saw BILLY EDWARDS parked on a lonely road. He wasn't lonely, though, and he surely wasn't out of gas. Hope I didn't bother you.

Everyone changes in some ways during the passing years, but in every picture I see of MR. HACKMAN, he has hair on his head.

Well, this old owl is pretty tired, so I think I'll throw this in the rest with the rest of the eggs I laid last time. So long!

Your Fine Feathered Friend.

every issue. Students do have worthwhile opinions and some of your suggestions for betterment may result in some real advancement. So, put on your thinking cap and come through with an article which will suggest a worthwhile improvement, a possible innovation or a wish that may turn out well.

I'm suggesting three things and I hope that they may prompt action from the Board of Trust or from the student body:

(1) Why not a band for M. B. A.?

There is no good reason why we should not be able to build up a crack band in our school in the next few years. Of course, the first consideration is that we would have to have a Band Director. We could even start with a part-time director who would spend part of his time at the school giving lessons to those entering the band. He would have to start by ordering instruments for those who desire them. He would arrange the number to be trained on each instrument. After the instruments arrive private lessons would be given to the boys until they learned to play well enough to play in a group. From there it would be but a matter of time until M. B. A. could place a band on the field which would be a real credit to the school.

(2) Why not have a yearly ceremonial at which time we "crown" a king. We don't have to call him a king but the honor could represent the highest honor the school could bestow. It should go yearly to the outstanding member of the senior class. Vanderbilt calls him "Bachelor of Ugliness." We could call him "Mr. Mug" or whatever YOU decide he should be called. His picture would go in the feature section of the annual.

(3) The boys of the school who have won letters in any sport should form a "Monogram Club." They could do much to promote better sports at M. B. A. and could also make the wearing of a letter mean something on the campus. They could give a yearly minstrel or other show and have a lot of fun while raising some money for a worthwhile cause on the campus.

Those are just three of the many things I would like to see at M. B. A. Am I wishing well?

—James C. Rule.



## "MAROON HIGHLIGHTS"

by Edward McManus

Now that the 1945 football season is completed we can look back over it and think of the thrilling runs and plays that the team showed us on various occasions.

There is still one game yet to be played by the seniors on the team. This is the All-Star game to be played at Dudley Stadium November 29. The game is sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Allen will again assist in coaching the Scarlet team along with Mr. McKibbin of East, and Mr. Anderson of Cohn, Leo Long of Ryan and Mr. Strickland of West are the coaches for the Black team.

We have several boys representing M. B. A. on the All-Star squad. Those who will participate in the Thanksgiving Day game will be Vaden Lackey, Neil Cargile, and Julian Scruggs at ends, Joe Card at tackle, Joe Washington at guard, and Jimmy Atkinson, who was captain of the big red squad, will play in the backfield.

Very little has been said about Coach Allen's hard work with the team this year, but speaking for the boys, we really do appreciate your efforts and the students are behind you one hundred per cent in your job. We all know that you are the finest coach in the South, and we know that you will continue to do a marvelous job in the years to come. **THREE CHEERS FOR COACH!!!**

Every day at lunch period there is a big monstrous slaughter on the basketball court. There are from five to fifteen boys on a side and the main slogan of the group is "hacked or be hacked, killed or pe killed," and if you don't play—Oh murder!!

## TIS Defeats Maroons By a Narrow Margin

The Tennessee Industrial School Broncos staged a blazing second half rally to win a spine-tingling victory over the M. B. A. Maroons. The Maroons gained the lead when Bill Wade threw a long pass to Holly Murdock who went over standing up in the first quarter. In the second stanza, Jimmy Atkinson crossed the double stripe for the second marker. Engle made the extra point. T. I. S. came back in the third quarter with the hard-running Bobby Branchfield, who repeatedly ripped the M. B. A. for long gains, to score the two winning touchdowns. Napier went over for the extra points.

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# SPORTS

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## A Portrait of Howard Allen--One of M.B.A.'s Most Outstanding Perons

He is not a man of impressive physical dimensions—he is small and lithe—but the moment he speaks, the instant that words begin to form on his lips, it is then that one becomes impressed with his powerful personality and his real greatness.

Howard Allen has become a tradition here at M. B. A. A traditional example of the clean man, the ideal of many, the idol of those who have had his instruction in any one of the many athletic divisions he directs. That is the man we call Coach.

While attending grammar school at Tar Box he was to be present at an M. B. A.-Morgan football game. The spirit of the M. B. A. students, the team, and especially Mrs. Ball, so impressed Coach that he then and there resolved to attend this school, and he did. His record speaks for itself. His outstanding athletic ability is in evidence to all who look at the pictures which adorn the Honor Room walls.

On December 19, 1932, he married Miss Lucille, who at that time was a student at Murray. Four years at Murray State Teacher's College marked him as a man who knew and could play football. He graduated from Murray in the spring of 1934. The following fall he went back to M. B. A., but this time he went in the capacity of Head Coach. That was the beginning of his coaching career, and we are proud to say that he has been here ever since.

When an M. B. A. team steps onto the field of competition with another team they feel that they have just a little more on the ball than their opponents. They carry with them all the skill, self-confidence, and guts that this dynamic man can instill into them. And as they go into action the principles that he so ardently drilled them on stand ever ready to aid them. You can almost hear his voice out there telling you what to do, what move to make next, inspiring you with a will to win and a determination never to give up. Yes, his spirit goes with us!

In early September he begins work with the football team. He wears an old jersey and basketball pants. As the weather becomes colder he will be the man wearing short brown boots, brown pants, a grey overcoat, and a hat with the front brim turned up. He will be the man with the piercing blue eyes, the big nose, and the ears that sort of turn out. He is the man who for nearly eleven years has been friend and counselor to each successive group of M. B. A. boys. He will be the man who is out there making men out of boys. Coach Allen, we salute you!

To prove Coach's universal popularity, a theme written by a Ward-Belmont student on Mr. Allen, has been reprinted below:

**Coach Says So**  
At the Friday night games, you never see where he comes from or when he makes his entrance—he's just always there. He wears his long, light brown overcoat, with the collar up around his over-sized ears, and his brown felt hat pulled low over his eyes. He doesn't look very different from any other man, except that his nose jumps out a little far from his otherwise even profile. All during the game he squats along the sidelines of the field, sometimes with his hands jabbed down in his pockets. If something goes wrong during the game, he doesn't get excited. He just sits there with his mouth closed tightly, not saying a word, but with a confident air about him. If the team is not doing so well at the half, he goes in the shower room and simply says, "All right, girls, let's get out there and fight."

When any of his boys has a date for the game or for a school dance, he dodges "Coach" like he was a ferocious puma. Coach Allen doesn't approve of his boys going with girls, even though he is happily married and has two of his own. Whenever some of the boys are having an argument, one simply has to say, "Coach says so," and the matter is dropped.

If any of his boys is heard cursing, he is immediately dropped from Mr. Allen's list. He doesn't approve of smoking, although he knows most of the boys slip behind the gym after lunch for a mysterious reason. If he happens to go around there, he stops before he gets to the corner and says, "You'd better eat 'em boys, 'cause here I come!" The cigarettes are suddenly gone.

Coach Allen is proud of his boys. He believes in them and knows how to handle them.

Here is a man, quiet and unassuming, who has more influence in building character and personality than many whose names we read in the headlines of the day. In the book entitled "The Education of Henry Adams," it is said, "A great teacher's influence lives

## Maroons Very Successful In The Recent Football Season

### Intramural Tennis Champions Named

Since the last issue the school tennis tournament has been played off in the afternoons after school. The tournament was divided into three groups for the matches. The Junior-Senior, the Freshman-Sophomore, and the Microbe groups.

In the Microbe matches Imman Fox came to the honor rank by defeating J. W. Clark in the finals 6-1, 6-1. In the first round Ward forfeited to Caldwell; Hooker forfeited to Lowe; Roberts beat C. Gates; Clark beat Poque; Fox beat Moates; G. Knox beat A. Evans; Thornton beat Henley; and Stevens beat A. Evans. In the second round Caldwell forfeited to Roberts and Lowe forfeited to Clark. Fox beat Knox and Thornton beat Stevens. In the semi-finals Clark beat Roberts 6-0, and Fox beat Thornton 6-2. In the finals Fox defeated Clark 6-1, 6-1.

In the Freshman-Sophomore matches Harry Corson won by defeating Bobby Walker 6-0, 6-2. In the first round Dudley, Erwin, Hibbett, B. Jones, Oliver, Shwab, Davies, Parrish, J. Brown, L. Ruth, Warner, Barr, L. Gatos, Spencer, Watts, and Van Arsdale were the losers. In the second round Dickinson, C. Martin, Rankin, Hordcastle, Ingram, B. Edwards, Horkins, and Werthan were defeated. In the third round Corson beat Smith 6-0, B. Wallace beat Klein 6-3. Andrews was defeated by Womack 6-2, and Walker won by Davis 7-5. In the semi-finals Corson beat Wallace 6-1, 6-3, and Womack was downed by Walker 6-2, 4-6, 6-2. Walker was then defeated in the finals by Corson 6-0, 6-2.

In the Junior-Senior group the winner of the Keeble-Donnelly match played Denny for the Junior-Senior championship. In round two Denny beat H. Wallace, McClendon defeated M. Farrar, Greene was downed by McQuiddy, J. Farrar was defeated by Stengel, and Donnelly beat Jamison. Martin downed Hargard and J. B. Keeble played a hard-fought match to Russell Campbell 16-14. Calton drew a bye. In round two Denny beat McClendon 6-0, Stengel beat McQuiddy by a forfeit, Donnelly defeated Calton 6-4, and his 103 yard run on a pass interception.

The victors of the three contests will be awarded cups which are to be placed in the library. Fess Rule directed the tournaments.

### Chattanooga Central Downs Maroons, 25-6

On Friday, October 19, M. B. A. was beaten 25-6 by a highly touted Chattanooga Central team before 5,500 spectators.

From the first time Chattanooga got the ball it was evident that their huge powerhouse and smooth-running "T" were too much for the game "Maroons," who played their hearts out the whole way. The "Pounders" drove to pay dirt very early in the second period and once again before the half was over. It seemed as if the game would be a walk-away after the "Pounders" scored in the third period, but the valiant "Maroon" band fought back after a sustained drive. Murdock crossed the goal on a tricky reverse with no one near him. Atkinson, Earhart, Lavender, Washington and many others played fine game for M. B. A.

on forever." The morals and character standards of M. B. A., set by him, will live for many generations after he is gone. For the expression, "Coach Says," will be a statement left in the hearts of M. B. A. alumni and future students for years to come.

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M. B. A.'s 1945 football schedule was brought to a close on November 19. A half holiday was given and the evening was headed by a homecoming dinner given by the Ladies Auxiliary and the final game with T. I. S. The eight-game schedule included most of the Interscholastic League's leading clubs with the exception of Cohn High, the City Champe, and also included two out of town clubs which ranked very high in the State ratings.

Playing their last game for the Big Red were such standouts as Capt. Jimmy Atkinson, Alt. Capt. Vaden Lackey, Neil Cargile, Joe Card, Joe Washington and John Cooper.

A summary of the schedule is as follows:

### M.B.A. vs. EAST

In their first game of the season the Maroons chalked up a 6-0 win over the East Eagles. The game was largely a defensive contest for both teams, with neither side showing much offense. The touchdown came when Billy Joe Earhart broke away about mid-field and went all the way.

### M.B.A. vs. WEST

In its second game of the season the Big Red fought to a scoreless tie with the West High Blue-jays. The Maroons entered scoring territory several times, once to the five-yard line, but were stopped by a determined West line. The Blue's only threat came when they went to the M. B. A. 24-yard line and then fumbled with Elam recovering.

### M.B.A. vs. HILLSBORO

In a slow drizzling rain the Big Red rang up a 19-0 victory over the Hillsboro Burros. For the first time this season the Maroon offense began to click. The first period was scoreless, but in the second period Earhart found his way to pay-dirt twice for 12 points. In the fourth period Earhart scored again and Atkinson added the extra, making it 19 to 0.

### M.B.A. vs. DU PONT

Improving with every game the Big Red really began to roll as they marked up 33 points to the Du Pont Bulldog's 0. Scoring of touchdowns was as follows: Earhart 2, Atkinson 1, Wade 1, and Murdock 1. Wade's run was the longest run of the week in the game from scrimmage and Murdock set a new league record with his 103 yard run on a pass interception.

### M.B.A. vs. CHAT. CENTRAL

Although they played fine ball the Big Red was out-classed by the State's No. 2 club, the Chattanooga Central Purple Pounders. The 25-to-7 defeat was the first of the year for the Maroons. Earhart, Washington, and Atkinson played well for M. B. A. while Noble and McCoy led the Pounders.

### M.B.A. vs. FATHER RYAN

The Maroons suffered the second defeat of the season against the Father Ryan Purple Panthers by the score of 14 to 6. The Maroons scored first, but Ryan, led by Irving Berry, who made All-Weekly for his fine performance, came back to score twice and then held on to its lead.

### M.B.A. vs. SPRINGFIELD

The Big Red suffered its third defeat, 15 to 6, in its game with the Springfield Yellow Jackets. The Jackets scored all their points in the first half with two touchdowns and a safety, and then held the Big Red to 6 points the last half. Atkinson, Rhodes and Cargile played well for the Maroons, with Atkinson making All-Weekly for his performance.

This was enclosed with the following letter:

"Dear Coach Allen,  
This theme was put in the files of the sophomore class at Ward-Belmont. I am sending a copy of it to you because I thought you would like to know that we, at Ward-Belmont, know how much you mean to the boys at M. B. A."





## Personality of Month

Our choice for this month's personality is a boy whose leadership and scholarship have made him an outstanding person at Montgomery Bell. His name is Vaden Lackey, better known to his friends and classmates as "Cookie."

"Cookie" is beginning his third year at M. B. A., taking his Freshman year in El Paso, Texas. He was born in Nashville and attended Stokes for seven years, after which he moved to Fort Riley, Kansas, where he took the eighth grade. During his first year at the academy, he was elected vice-president of the Sophomore class, which office he held during his second year at M. B. A. He now holds the gavel for the Senior class. Vaden has been a member of the student committee for two years and was elected to the newly organized honor council.

He has played on the varsity football and basketball teams for three years. "Cookie" was chosen to lead this year's eleven as alternate captain.

Strange as it may seem, his favorite comic character is not Bugs Bunny. Instead it is Fearless Fosdick.

Favorite food—Steak smothered with onions.

Favorite subject—Math.

Favorite sport—Football.

Pet peeve—Getting up in the morning.

Favorite expression—"Oh, my gosh!"

"Cookie" also makes a good attempt at the game of golf (notice I said "attempt").

His father, Mr. Vaden Lackey, has recently received his discharge from the Army. "Cookie" has a brother in the Army, Hal Lackey, who is a graduate of the academy.

With the above facts as evidence, it is easy to understand why Vaden was chosen as one of our outstanding personalities.

## MRS. WARREN

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We knew what that meant, so few ever needed a third correction. Mrs. Warren's pats on the back were all aimed to do the most good—in several respects. We learned to raise our hands to speak. We boys who were Mics owe more to Mrs. Warren than we realize, because if we did fully appreciate all she has done for us we would show it by working just a little harder than the next fellow.

I haven't talked to Mrs. Warren a great deal, but one fact I did learn that might explain a good many things to the microbes at M. B. A., and past mikes as well. Mrs. Warren has a dog; not a little dog, but a fine Great Dane!! It is easy to see why a boy is like so much feathers after handling that Great Dane!!

## Please Laugh

by Jesse Ford

Teacher: What do kangaroos have that other animals don't have?

Pupil: Little kangaroos.

Ottenville was driving his girl through the park one night when they passed a popcorn stand. "Mmmmm," she said, "That popcorn surely does smell good." "Well," said the magnanimous Ottenville, "hold on and I'll drive up closer so you can get a better whiff of it."

Irony: An element that should replace the brass in the corporeity of human beings.

And now we enter the 'teen age. To be more specific, nicotine.

Freshman: Quick! Give me a spade, Foster is in mud up to his ankles!

Sophomore: What do you need a spade for? Can't he walk out?

Freshman: He's in HEAD FIRST!!!

Cigarette? The match is struck, a puff of smoke, And crafty eyes espy the bloke.

Poor lad, too bad, he's in the bag. For Cremo saw him light that tag. Two hours now he'll sit and drool, While other boys are out of school. And all because the guy was seen, As he partook of nicotine.

So what if a cat does have nine lives? Why, I had a frog once that croaked every night.

Matha Anne: Don't you know what good clean fun is?

Holly: Naw, what good is clean fun?

Mr. Rule: Well . . . well . . .

Hardy, and how did you find Chicago? (This was after Lavender's first visit to the metropolis.)

Hardy, stifling a yawn: No trouble at all. We just walked out of the station and there it was.

Chemical warfare: When she uses peroxide.

GEN. ANDREWS

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His job was vital to the success of the United States forces in North Africa, and a great deal of credit has gone to him for this job.

Later he was killed in an airplane crash over Iceland and was mourned by people all over the world because he was such a tremendous loss to our cause of freedom and justice.

He is buried in an American cemetery in Iceland.

In honor of General Andrews, Alumni Field here at Montgomery Bell Academy was rededicated Andrews Field on October 25, 1945.

His brother, Col. J. D. Andrews, Jr., Colonel Andrews' wife and eldest son David, and his sister, Mrs. Gillespie Sykes, were present at the dedication preceding the Ryan football game. Vaden Lackey made a short speech on General Andrews' life and Mr. Sager said a few words in his behalf. Colonel Andrews said a few words in appreciation of this honor given to his brother.

Nelson Andrews, General Andrews' nephew, graduated from Montgomery Bell Academy last year and is now pursuing his higher education as a cadet in West Point.

Nelson entered M. B. A. in his junior year and in the two years that he was with us he followed in his uncle's footsteps for excelling in all sports and was one of the best students in the school.

## THE BELL RINGER

### JOKES

Father (proudly): "Don't you think our son gets his intelligence from me?"

Mother: "Probably. I know that I still have mine."

"For whom do all men remove their hats?"

"The barber."

Fletcher: "I've had this car for years and have never had a wreck." Rodgers: "You mean, you've had that wreck for years and have never had a car."

Mrs. Warren: "If I tear a piece of paper into four pieces, what have I?"

Gwadstof: "Fourth."

Mrs. Warren: "And if I tear it into eight pieces?"

Gwadstof: "Eights."

Mrs. Warren: "And if I divide it into eight thousand pieces?"

Gwadstof: "Confetti."

Ham Wallace (driving along a country road): "You look lovelier to me every minute. Do you know what that's a sign of?"

Clare: "You are about to run out of gas."

Coach Clark: "Fox, have you ever had any football experience?"

Inman Fox: "Well, not exactly, although I was hit by a truck and two sedans this summer."

Wiggs: "What can I do to keep from topping the ball?"

Wiley: "Turn the ball upside down."

Mr. Rule: "Fred, if your father earned forty dollars a week and gave your mother half, what would she have?"

Meiers: "Heart failure!"

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## With Our Alumni

by Teddy Dillon

Many of our older alumni are home from the wars, either on short leaves or for good.

Home for good is Lt. Joe Davis, a veteran of three invasions—Sicily, Salerno and Normandy. Lt. Davis, perhaps Nashville's top tennis player, is on a terminal leave after getting his discharge from the U. S. N. R. Joe won three consecutive Southeastern Conference championships and five Nashville city titles. He was state champion before he entered the service as he was also semi-finalist to the late Lt. Joe Hunt in the National Intercolllegiate.

Another Montgomery Bell graduate home for good is Lt. Commander Douglas Lambeth. Recently advanced to that rank, Commander Lambeth is now at the Naval separation center in Memphis, where, after more than five years of service, he will receive his honorable discharge. During his sea service he served aboard the cruiser Brooklyn and as armed guard chief aboard oil tankers in both the Atlantic and Pacific. Since July, 1943, he has been aboard the destroyer escort U. S. S. Foss, and for the last ten months he was the commanding officer.

Home on terminal leave is Col. John A. Bull. The son of our own Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bull, Colonel Bull has seen five years of service with the U. S. Army Air Forces in Europe and the Pacific. He was sent overseas with the Air Service Command of the Eighth Air Force in 1942, and upon returning to this country he was assigned as a B17 pilot for special work in England and the Mediterranean.

Major James Benton Neil, a

graduate of M. B. A., has recently returned to Nashville after thirty-nine months of service in the army dental corps. Major Neil entered the service in July, 1942, and saw two years of foreign duty in North Africa and Italy. In March of the same year Major Neil was appointed dental consultant in the Mediterranean. He retained this position until his recent transfer to the U. S.

Having volunteered in 1942, Sgt. Martin was stationed at Camps Rucker and Riley before being assigned to overseas duty with the security and intelligence unit in France and Germany in February of this year. His last assignment before returning home was in Berlin.

In Nashville visiting his mother before reporting to Chungking, China, where he will be U. S. Naval attaché, is Capt. William Kenney. Capt. Kenney has seen much navy service in the Far East, particularly China, before the war, and was recently decorated for his services as commander of a destroyer division in the Pacific.

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